

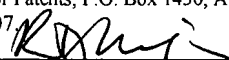


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**AMENDMENT**

The following is in response to the Office Action mailed October 27, 2006. This response is being filed within the sixth month following the mailing date of the Office Action. Accordingly, a petition for three-month extension of time is concurrently submitted herewith. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.